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# Temple Beth Miriam Bulletin

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Temple Beth Miriam

Welcome to Beth Miriam

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## HAPPENINGS

- **BEER, PIZZA AND PIRKE AVOT** April 4
- **GRADE 5 FAMILY SERVICE** April 5
- **RACHAEL O'NEILL BAT MITZVAH** April 6
- **EREV PASSOVER** April 19
- **COMMUNITY SECOND SEDER** April 20
- **PASSOVER YIZKOR AND TEXT STUDY** April 26
- **TEEN ACADEMY** April 28

There are so many events and programs coming up in April and the coming months that you will need a program to know all the players!

The worship experiences are going to be meaningful. Study sessions will be inspiring. School events will be engaging and fun and, of course, the Passover Community Seder will be quite an experience! Come to temple this month and you will see a place living and exciting.





## From the Rabbi

Rabbi Cy Stanway

**P**assover is an intriguing holiday.

According to Pirke Avot, the collection of pithy sayings collected by the Talmud, Shmuel HaKatan (Samuel Junior) once said that 'When an enemy falls, be not glad and when one stumbles, let not your heart be joyous.' This seems to be the very antithesis of human nature. After all, when those who oppress finally fall, is there not a cause for celebration? And is not Passover the time when we celebrate the demise of the Egyptian regime where Israelite slavery was the norm? In other words, the Seder commemorates the Exodus from Egypt, of course, but at the expense of the demise of Pharaoh's reign and kingdom. How can we not celebrate?

The Rabbis had the same problem. It is a natural inclination to say, 'They tried to kill us. We won. Let's eat!' which is the joke told among Jews about many of our holidays. But the Rabbis urge restraint. To this end they wanted to minimize any joy at the Egyptian's defeat. That is why, when the Seder was created, they included the removal of 10 drops of wine from the kiddush cup. The wine is a symbol of joy and diminishing it literally diminishes our joy.

The very famous midrash teaches this by saying, "In that hour, the ministering angels wished to utter a song of praise before the Holy One of Blessing, but God rebuked them saying, 'My handiwork is drowning in the sea and you want to sing a song before me?!' (Babylonian Talmud 39b)

I think what the Rabbis were teaching us is twofold: they understand the human inclination to celebrate at one's enemy's downfall but, at the same time, to work to develop our inclination to kindness - an inclination we all have. To do so is to emulate the Divine and the Divine within us.

Want to know the real miracle of Passover? It is the most graphic illustration of a holiday in which we can celebrate the demise of Israel's enemy and yet, we make every effort to diminish that impulse and, instead we celebrate the freedom. And one freedom we exercise every moment is the freedom to celebrate the tzoris of others. That is a miracle each of us can not only experience but create.

Have a wonderful and joyous Pesach celebrating with your family and friends and may this be a season of miracles.

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## From the Temple President

Dr. Barry Edison

**I** believe most experts would recommend physical activity and music during times of stress. And to those of you who have experienced your first child become a bar or bat mitzvah, you understand the stress level is really high. To those who haven't reached this mo-

mentous occasion, take my word for it. Paige's bat mitvah is March

30th.

Fortunately, I was able to blow off some steam and got in some good music within a 24-hour time frame with great temple events this past week. On Saturday night our Sisterhood and Men's Club sponsored a Hatchet throwing night at Stumpy's in Eatontown. Yes, you eat, drink and throw hatchets at one event. A blast to say the least. Everyone probably got at least 25 throws in, with those who were most determined to hit the bull's eye, a few more.

The following afternoon I received another dose of stress relief coming from the sounds in our Social Hall. Our temple hosted a Harmony Coffeehouse music showcase for local musicians including our temple's own Jacob Gerbman, Ava Green, Elliot, Michael, and Robert Topper, Frank Restifo, Chase Kaplan, and Art Topilow. The range of music was diverse, and just as important for me, very soothing.

A great remedy for pre-Bat Mitzvah tension.

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Thank you to all those involved in making these events happen. They don't happen without energy and commitment.

Barry Edison  
President of Temple Beth Miriam

**Chag Pesach  
Sameach!**

WISHING YOU AND YOURS PEACE, GOOD TIMES AND HAPPINESS  
ON PASSOVER AND FOR THE TIMES TO COME.

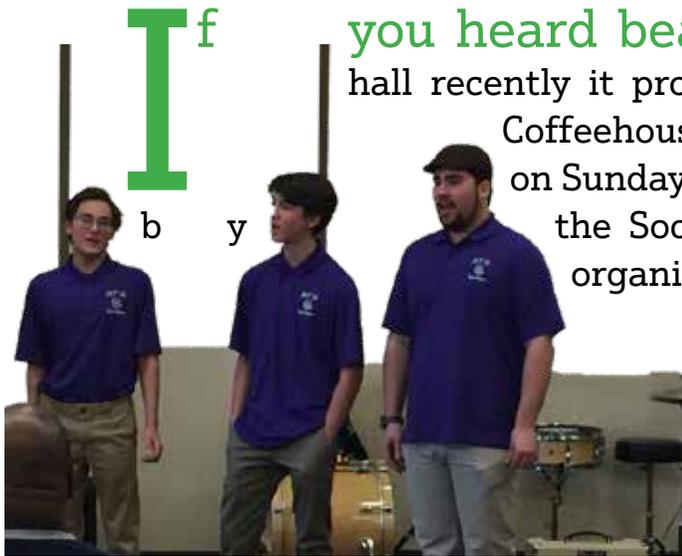
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The image shows a silhouette of a person reading a scroll of Hebrew text. The text on the scroll is a portion of the Shema prayer, including the words 'שמע ישראל יהוה יהוה אחד' and 'יהוה אחד יהוה אחד'.

# Harmony Coffee House: An Outstanding Success



If you heard beautiful music coming from the social hall recently it probably was because of the 2019 Harmony Coffeehouse, which took place at Temple Beth Miriam on Sunday, March 3. This annual event was sponsored by the Social Action / Social Justice Committee and organized by a group of TBM youth.

This year Elliot Topper chaired the group and directed the event, joined by Jacob Gerbman, Maya Restifo, and Michael Topper. The Coffeehouse raised money for two great local performing arts charities: the Asbury Park Music Foundation (APMF)

and the Axelrod Performing Arts Center.



The event was a big success. TBM opened its doors to the community and a wonderful, diverse crowd came together for an afternoon of music, food and good times. It was a fun, memorable occasion. The crowd was very appreciative and enthusiastic, and the event was well-attended. A total of approximately \$600 was raised from tickets and donations and \$100 from APMF merchandise sales, netting about \$400 for the APMF and \$300 for the Axelrod.

Fourteen different musical acts were featured, including professional and amateur musicians. There were several notable performances by TBM members. Robert Topper made his debut playing bass guitar with a rock band called "The New Originals." This was

## WE'RE DOING IT AGAIN!

Last year many of us ended Passover with a Pizza and Bingo evening, and had such a great time that we are doing it again. On Saturday, April 27th, children and adults are welcome to join us at 6 pm for a brief Havdallah service, followed by pizza. There will be plenty of snacks and desserts as we then play Bingo. Of course, prizes will be awarded to all winners. Come play with us on this fun family night! The cost is only \$10.00 for ages 16 and up, and \$5.00 for ages 6-15. Children under 5 are free. PLEASE call the office (732-222-3754) before April 25th to reserve your spot!

## Important Yahrtzeit Announcement

**For the immediate future, the weekly Yahrtzeits that will be read from the bima during worship will be printed in the E-lijah. This is a temporary measure and we expect to restart sending out electronic reminders in the near future. If you have a Yahrtzeit and are not sure of the date or you want to change the date your loved one's name gets mentioned, feel free to call the office and we will take care of your request.**

immediately followed by Jacob Gerbman, who appeared in a barbershop quartet of students from Rumson-Fair Haven High School. Ava Green sang beautifully, and accompanied herself on the keyboard. Michael Topper led a group of string musicians from the New Jersey State Youth Orchestra, and Elliot Topper performed a classic rock song on the guitar. Saving the "best

for last," Arthur Topilow completed the afternoon with a dazzling performance of medleys, songs and jazz standards on the piano. Another performer with a strong TBM connection was Josh Falcone, who "wowed" the crowd with his singing and playing. Chase Kaplan brought his musical and technical expertise, setting up and running the sound board throughout the event. The ticket sales were handled by Pat Shapiro. Michael Topper served as host and introduced the acts and speakers. Coffee, tablecloths and setup for the event were provided by Liza Restifo, Sue Gruskin, and Gayle and Robert Topper. Delicious treats were provided by Debbie Gerbman, Marissa Lambert, Maya Restifo, Gayle Topper and Anna Vernick for everyone to enjoy. Michael Vernick set up a table in the back and sold t-shirts and mugs to benefit the APMF. Advance publicity was handled by Rabbi Cy Stanway, Steve Ostrom, and Gayle and Robert Topper. Volunteers came from Communications High School and the Academy of Allied Health and Science came to help run the event and clean up afterwards. Tello set up the room for the event. Thanks to everyone for all of their hard work!



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# Temple Beth Miriam Second Seder

Led by Cantor Marnie Camhi



**Saturday, April 20,  
2018  
5:30 PM**

**\$50/adult  
\$30/child**

**Everyone most welcome**



**Temple Beth Miriam  
180 Lincoln Ave., Elmhurst, NJ**

**RSVP: 732-222-3764  
Please RSVP by April 15, 2018**



## EVENTS FOR TBM KIDS & TEENS



Just for fun: One of our board members, Kara Zappacosta, sent us this magical Shabbat moment from her Shabbat table. Have a great Jewish moment photographed? Send it to Rabbi Stanway at [rabbi@bethmiriam.org](mailto:rabbi@bethmiriam.org)

Nothing bonds kids of all ages like a shared experience. This month, our teens almost escaped the puzzle just short of a single clue. After, they enjoyed dinner and bonded over the entire experience.

At the opposite of the age spectrum, our very youngest finally got to have an experience out of school for the first time ever. Kids up to Grade 3 met at Snapology where they got to play with crazy amounts of legos together and then joined up in small groups to build a helicopter and then program it to do things. Parents were invited to hang out at the Americana diner while their kids enjoyed playing, learning and getting to know each other outside of school.

We plan many such events throughout the year. The next one coming up is the Create Your Own Chocolate Seder plate, open to kids in Grade 2 and above. Check you email for those details and sign up! The more kids come to these events the more fun they all have.



# FAMILY PIZZA AND BINGO NIGHT!

Let's have some great family fun!



What's better than Saturday night pizza and bingo?  
End Passover with pizza!  
Everyone is welcome to bring the family for pizza and bingo on



**Saturday, April 27  
6 PM**

The pizza will be hot and delicious. The evening will start with Havdallah and then pizza and then the family fun begins! Lots of snacks! Lots of pizza! Prizes for bingo winners!

Ages 16 and up - \$10  
Ages 6 - 15 - \$5  
Children under 5 - free

Please RSVP by April 25 to ensure enough pizza and goodies for everyone.  
Join us for this delightful evening.  
RSVP to the office at 732-222-3754

Everyone is invited  
Bring a friend, too!

Seniors, need a lift? We will get you to the temple and back home!

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## Thank you!

Thank you to Lori Weinstein for the donation of a new leaf on the Tree of Life in the temple foyer in honor of the namings of Bella Weinstein and Hailee Braverman

*Do you have a simcha you want to share with the congregation? Braces came off? New promotion? Graduation? New dog? Let us know and we will share it in the Bulletin! And, to honor the event or the person, consider making a donation to one of our funds in honor of the event!*



## From the Cantor

Cantor Marnie Camhi

I am still kvelling over the fantastic performance of our Star Wars Purim Spiel on Sunday, March 24 (written and directed by me). Bravo to our cast and crew! Many thanks to Dr. Eric Adler, Rachel Adler, Evan Beson, Noah Beson, Adrienne Brandl, Chloe Brandl, Raquel

Brosniak, Melia Camhi, Jordyn Datre, Dr. Barry Edison, Paige Edison, Todd Edison, Reese Figueiredo, Aidan Ford, Chloe Foster, Ava Green, Ezra Lambert, Harper Lambert, Julia Reisler, Anael Shabat, Ray Shabat, Rabbi Cy Stanway, Stella Stanway, Jacob Swartz, Ava Usatin, Oliver Usatin, Ethan Wellner, Noa Wellner, and Skyler Woods.



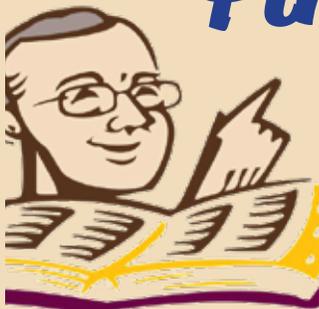
Next up, is Passover! I will be leading The TBM Congregational 2nd night Seder on Saturday, April 20. I hope to see you there!

Shalom,

Cantor Marnie Camhi

[cantor@bethmiriam.org](mailto:cantor@bethmiriam.org)

## Pirke Avot for Adults



**APRIL 3 - 7 PM**  
**APRIL 17- 7 PM**

EVERYONE WELCOME TO LEARN WITH US!



## From the Principal

Stella Jeruzalmi Stanway

I have always been fond of Pirkei Avot, the Sayings of our Sages. As I recall and retell my recent trip to the US/Mexican border of Nogales, one in particular comes to mind: "Who is rich? He who rejoices in his portion, as it is written (Psalm 128:2) "You shall eat the fruit of the labor of your hands; you shall be happy, and it shall go well with you." "You shall be" refers to this world; and "it shall be well with you" refers to the world to come."

We are so very fortunate to live in this area, with all of the resources we could ever want or need at our disposal. Within our TBM community, I don't think any of us truly have to worry about how to feed our children or whether we can keep a roof over our heads. Instead, we love to remodel our homes, plan our next vacation and pursue the latest in technology....and I am certainly guilty of all of those things too. And sometimes we are on to the next thing before we have really enjoyed the last....always pursuing...but does it really make us happy? Does it?

When I was in Nogales, Sonora, just across the border from Nogales, Arizona, I met people who had left it all and had only what they could carry as they escaped their circumstances in search of something better, all the while risking their lives and personal security. It's really hard to imagine and understand what it's like to be them. What impressed me about all of the people that I met and interacted with was their sense of faith in God that they would be ok. They had an incredible sense of gratitude for the little they had and for the very little we (the group of rabbis I was with) could offer them, which was nothing more than a smile and supportive listening. I would have expected to see anger and depression, and maybe even entitlement. Don't get me wrong, there was fear, there was certainly sadness but the faith and the gratitude seemed to be a



common occurrence and seemed to really give a lot of strength.

I was drawn to the kids (have you met me?!) and got to playing with a toddler who had just received a little toy, not too different from those offered in a Happy Meal. A silly cheap little toy...but you would not believe the squeals of sheer delight that emanated from deep in his being. There we were, taking turns making it move and just squealing and giggling together. That little toy was all he had and all he needed to be happy. What an amazing lesson. I'll never know what will become of this little boy, nor do I imagine he will ever remember me, but the lesson he taught me that I am sharing with you is profound. Our Sages were spot on. Who is rich? He who is happy with his lot.

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Sisterhood Paid-up Members Event

Asbury Park  
Scavenger Hunt

April 28th  
12:30 - 2:30  
Followed by Lunch  
In Asbury!

We are taking the classic scavenger hunt to the next level! Instead of looking for a list of objects, teams compete in a number of clues, challenges, and picture/video tasks, all while learning things we never knew we didn't know about Asbury Park! To make it even more fun, we will be able to share all the great pictures/videos each team took! When all the points are counted and a winner is crowned, we will head out for lunch in Asbury (venue to be determined). So get your RSVP in today!

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RSVP to [Sisterhood@bethmiriam.org](mailto:Sisterhood@bethmiriam.org) or

732-222-3754

Free for 2019 Sisterhood Members

Not a member yet? You can still pay your dues up until the day of the event!

Contact us at the above email with any questions or concerns.



# Hatchet Throwdown Evening



The hatchets were flying, the food was filling and the laughs were in abundance as the Sisterhood hosted an evening at Stumpy's. This was an out-of-the-box temple experience and it was a terrific evening. For the next event, plan to be there!



Barry Edison, TBM President showing off his bullseye!



Debbie Gerbman and Cindy Singer each got bullseyes on the same throw. Congratulations!

## WOW! MAZAL TOV JOEL AND SUSAN KREIZMAN!



Can we talk?! Joel and Susan are shepping nachas and kvelling as their daughter Maris was elected to be one of the '19 Funny Jewish women you should follow on Twitter.' Read the article here: <https://forward.com/schmooze/420554/happy-international-womens-day-here-are-19-funny-jewish-women-you-should/>



Temple Beth Miriam is happy to announce we are now offering a **one-year introductory membership for \$900.**

Please call and find out more!

(Full dues and building fund payments will commence the beginning of the second year.)

Call 732-222-3754 or visit [TempleBethMiriam.org](http://TempleBethMiriam.org)

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# Sunday Hebrew

עֵבֶר רִיבֵּי

*Do you want to begin to read Hebrew? Rabbi Stanway is in the planning stages for an adult Hebrew reading class. If you are interested in such a class meeting on Sunday mornings a couple of times a month, please let Rabbi Stanway know by calling the temple (732-222-3754) or emailing him at [rabbi@bethmiri-am.org](mailto:rabbi@bethmiri-am.org).*



## Way to Go, Jacob Gerbman!

From the Asbury Park Press: Fair Haven teen with Tourette syndrome is shaving head to raise money, and it's pouring in <https://www.app.com/story/news/local/values/2019/03/15/fair-haven-teen-tourette-syndrome-shaving-head-raise-money/3150616002/>



# Birthdays

**THIS  
MONTH**

Jacob Rubinstein  
 Carly Goldstein  
 Kathy Friedman  
 Jordy Swartz  
 Malcolm Deener  
 Lisa Jacobson  
 Scott Greenberg  
 Gwen Greenberg  
 Ava Green  
 Rebecca Pess  
 Rachel Pess  
 Jacqueline Coben  
 Benjamin Green  
 David Babitsky  
 Lisa Setrin  
 Philip Falcone  
 Elliot Topper  
 Samuel Babitsky  
 Alissa Reisler  
 Liza Restifo  
 Jack Bricken  
 Robert Farber  
 Isabelle Farber  
 Zion Shabat  
 Rahamim Shabat

Arthur Hodes  
 Samantha Librader  
 Geoffrey Lippsett  
 Elaina Lippsett  
 Mark Seckler  
 Beth Seckler  
 Lyn Zieve  
 Andrew Brosniak  
 Lisa Brosniak  
 Lawrence Dobrin  
 Pamela Dobrin  
 Carly Dobrin  
 Aaron Levine  
 Steven Reisler  
 Eliana Lehman  
 Elle Levine  
 Simon Segal  
 Caren Chesler  
 Edwin Holmes  
 Kim McConnell  
 Damon Zappacosta  
 Jill Rothschild  
 Lynn Cohen  
 Aimee Woods

# מזל טוב!



Geoffrey & Elaina Lippsett  
 Hal & Lori Goldstein  
 Andrew & Lisa Brosniak  
 Steve & Cynthia Singer  
 Mike & Marian Gross  
 Scott & Gwen Greenberg



# Yahrtzeits

May our loved ones' memories be an eternal blessing

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April 5

Sidney Erlanger  
Martin Greenstein  
Sylvia Flamendorf  
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Max Kasson  
Eli Bialik  
Sol Goldstein  
Sophie Tenzer  
Stella Eidelsberg  
Sidney Darnell  
Philip Gold  
Shirley Rossien  
Charles Wiener  
Rachel Gelb  
Michael Brower  
Millie Goldstein  
Francesca Nelson  
Benjamin Aronsohn  
Gabriel Barnett  
Marlene Neiderman  
Sally Glogoff  
Virginia Martin  
Kitty Grad  
Judy Glassman  
Wilma Aronson  
Harry Lewis  
Benjamin Bauman  
Joseph Brower  
Robert Salzberg  
Brent Krueger  
William Setrin

April 12

Sarah Rosenstein  
Vera Phillips  
Ennis Maurer  
Mildred Hirsch  
Esther Gorsky  
Morris Ross  
Isidore Bady  
Joshua Neimark  
Lily Klein  
Peter Iber  
William Epstein  
Meyer Friedman  
Margaret Zuckerman  
Muriel Peck  
Belle Moore  
Antoinette Farella  
Larry Zucker  
Henry Leon  
Joseph Bergman  
Howard Lawn  
Seymour Lapidus  
Minnie Leffert  
Evelyn Kramer  
Rose Goldman  
Sarah Schwartz  
Pauline Cinnamon  
Nancy Stalberg  
Max Eichenbaum  
Adele Feibel

April 19

Sarah Kaye  
Martin Kern  
Richard Weinberg  
Walter Kohn  
Irving Kirshbaum  
Eli Berke  
Timothy Gavin  
Diane Rich  
Edward Weinstein  
William Greenbaum  
Julius Schlatner  
Philip Ader  
Herman Holzman  
Adolph Bialek  
Jean Jacobson  
Isidor Berger  
Murray Revits  
Ceil Freedman  
Edward Carlin  
Barry Fisher  
Benjamin Snyder  
Ida Zlotkin  
Savannah Oxfeld  
Jacob Neiderhoffer

April 26

Max Singer  
Rose Berg  
Isadore Bey  
Nancy Behrman  
Harold Dobrin  
Amalie Jacobson  
Edward Rosenthal  
Alfred Feibel  
Abe Cohen  
Marjorie Miller  
Ciony Bacani  
Richard Topper  
Morris Gelb  
Jennie Goldberg  
John Costanzo  
Beverly Lerner  
Sidney Coe  
Rose Seidman  
Nettie Stolzenberg  
Joseph Gasarch  
Betty Cohen  
Joan Budner  
Paul Romano  
Alexander Cohen  
Mitchell Sherwin  
Bertha York  
Isidore Horowitz  
Carl Casriel  
Martin Wahl



# From the Mens' Club



The TBM Men's Club is sponsoring an evening of Beer, Pizza and Pirke Avot on Thursday April 4 at the Jughandle Brewing Company. There will be a tour of the beermaking process, followed by sampling of their many craft brews, along with pizza to help cleanse the palate, and to top it off, discussion led by Rabbi Cy. Date: Thursday, April 4 7PM.. Place: Jughandle Brewing Company, 4057 Asbury Ave in the Tinton Falls Centre., Tinton Falls, just east of the GSP Entrance. Cost: \$10. Open to both Men's Club AND Sisterhood members. Please email Men's Club President Al Goldman to register [alvingoldm@aol.com](mailto:alvingoldm@aol.com). PS Seating may be limited, please sign up soon.

# We Share Simchas



Mazal tov to Rachael O'Neill who will become bat mitzvah on April 6.

Rachael is a seventh grader at Markham Place School in Little Silver. Rachael loves to draw, sing and play instruments, including the drums and ukulele. For her Kishrei Halev project she taught an art class to the residents at the Brandywine Senior Living Center, sharing her love of art.

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**A** carload of TBM congregants were registered to be on board for the Reform Jewish Voice of New Jersey Annual Advocacy Day in Trenton on Monday March 18. Appointments were being arranged for conversations with legislators about RJVNJ's carefully chosen 2019 social action/social justice agenda. Topics chosen after careful deliberations among RJVNJ's constituency of NJ temples and congregants were: Environmental Justice, Immigrant Justice, and Voting Rights. Advocacy Day participants planned to gather to be instructed and coached by legal and political experts whose facts and data support the broad and overwhelming practicality, usefulness, and benefit of pursuing specific actions in each of these areas. Advocacy Day participants then expected to share this information with legislators, and hear their reactions.

Harmony Coffee House at TBM on Sunday afternoon March 3rd featured an eclectic mix of live music and gifted performers (young and not so young) from Monmouth County and beyond. This inspiring and enjoyable event was a fundraiser for the Axelrod Performing Arts Center and the Asbury Park Music Foundation, though the \$5 admission was a bargain, and the array of refreshments offered for a voluntary donation were delicious. Stay tuned for this event next year.

Watch for and join in upcoming Sisterhood, Men's Club, Purim, Passover, and Shabbat activities along with Rabbi's classes. Do take the opportunity for social action that is absolutely for each of us ourselves, as we are nurtured, and simultaneously help to nurture by celebrating together. See the TBM website, committees tab for the Social Action/Social Justice web page at <https://templebethmiriam.org/social-action-social-justice-committee/>





April 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>31 JERUSALEM LEGO PROGRAMME 8:00 AM Talmud Study 12:00 PM YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	1	2	<p>3 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Theology Class</p>	<p>4 7:00 PM - 7:00 PM MENS CLUB JUGHANDLE AND PIRKE AVOT EVENING 7:00 PM RELIGIOUS PRACTICES</p>	<p>5 7:30 PM GRADE 5 FAMILY Shabbat Service</p>	<p>6 10:00 AM Rachael O'Neill Bat Mitzvah 10:00 AM Torah Study</p>
<p>7 GRADE 5 FAMILY ED PROGRAMME 8:00 AM Talmud Study 9:15 AM Sisterhood Meeting</p>	8	9	<p>10 MEMBERSHIP 4:30 AM Religious School Board Meeting 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Theology Class</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 NFTY SPRING KALLAH 7:30 PM Shabbat Service</p>	<p>13 NFTY SPRING KALLAH 10:00 AM Torah Study</p>
<p>14 GRADE 6 JFRCs LOWER SCHOOL PASSOVER NFTY SPRING KALLAH 8:00 AM Talmud Study</p>	15	16	<p>17 PASSOVER ADVENTURE 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Theology Class</p>	18	<p>19 PASSOVER FIRST SEDER</p>	<p>20 10:00 AM Torah Study 5:30 PM PASSOVER SECOND SEDER</p>
<p>21 NO SCHOOL 8:00 AM Talmud Study</p>	<p>22 Earth Day</p>	23	<p>24 NO SCHOOL 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Theology Class</p>	25	<p>26 PASSOVER TEXT AND VISKOR 7:30 PM Shabbat Service</p>	<p>27 10:00 AM Torah Study 6:00 PM PIZZA AND BINGO FAMILY FUN NIGHT - COME END PESACH WITH US!</p>
<p>28 TEEN ACADEMY 8:00 AM Talmud Study 12:00 PM YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING</p>	29	30	<p>1 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM Theology Class</p>	<p>2 7:00 PM RELIGIOUS PRACTICES COMMITTEE</p>	<p>3 7:30 PM VISUAL TEFILLAH SHABBAT</p>	<p>4 10:00 AM Torah Study</p>

## Funds for Donations

Tree of Life – A beautiful way to honor any occasion of your family with an engraved leaf on the tree bearing the name of the person honored on occasions such as Bar/Bat Mitzvahs, birth, marriage or any other simcha. Contribution \$180.

The Yahrzeit Memorials - memorialize your loved one in the sanctuary - \$500

Prayer Book Fund – Maintains our supply of prayer books for worship services. Bookplates are inserted in recognition of donation. Contribution \$36.

Social and Community Action Fund – Provides support for local community programs.

Family Affair – The goal of this program is to bring a little relief and a sign of caring to any of our temple members experiencing difficulty in life, by providing and delivering meals to their homes.

Heimlich-Aaron Library Fund – Maintains an in depth library of books on current and historic themes for the use of all age groups in the congregation.

The Endowment Fund – For the preservation of our temple and to enable us to fulfill our spiritual, educational, cultural and social needs.

Centennial Fund – Proceeds from this fund are used to underwrite two categories of temple activities; up to 50% of the programs and programmatic activities; up to 50% of the annual proceeds can be used to underwrite under-funded pensions of Temple staff members.

Tzedakeh Fund – To be able to help congregants who are in needs of financial assistance.

Rabbi Joseph Goldman Fund for Jewish Learning – Proceeds support an array of educational programs.

Heimlich Memorial Scholarship Fund – Established to honor the memory of Ernest Heimlich.

Proceeds of this fund are to be used to underwrite a partial scholarship to a college or school of higher Education.

Dorothy Hirsch Scholarship – Honors the memory of Dorothy Hirsch. Proceeds of this fund provide scholarships to leadership training activities sponsored by the Reform Movement for high school and college students.

Rabbi Discretionary Fund: utilized by the rabbi for purposes of tzedakah and discreet support.

The Carolyn Meyer Memorial Lecture Fund – Proceeds from this fund will enable the temple and community to enjoy a bi-

ennial lecture on a theme related to Jewish teaching pertinent to a rich congregational life.

Neimark Shabbaton Institute – Honors the memory of Solomon & Regina Neimark. Proceeds from this gift of \$10,000 is to be used yearly to underwrite activities of temple seniors.

Berg-Bialek Youth Leadership Retreat Fund – This fund is used to supplement the cost of youth leadership retreats.

Conn Music Fund – Established to honor Gert and Ralph Conn. Proceeds from this fund are used to provide special musical programs and/or performances during holiday or special celebration.

The Norty Kern Youth Scholarship Fund – Proceeds of this fund will be used to send students of the 7th grade in our Religious School on a class trip.

Arthur and Hazel Harmon Fund – To honor the memory of Arthur & Hazel Harmon. Proceeds of this fund are used to purchase a prize for a student of the Religious School who has performed outstanding congregational or community service during congregational year.

The Milton Ziment Fund for Scholastic Achievement - An annual prize(s) for students of the Religious School who gain recognition for exceptional academic performance.

Sonya Grossman Art & Beautification Fund – This fund is for purchasing works of art & enhancing the beauty of TBM.

The Katz Family Fund – Proceeds of this fund are used to help families in need of funds for Religious School education.

Temple Beth Miriam Wish List – Proceeds are used to help provide needed upgraded technological items and furnishings.

Library Shelves – Available for dedication \$1,000.

Evelyn Blank Choral Fund – To be used for choral and other musical events.

Pess Family Youth Group Fund – Established by Lois & Gary Pess & will be used for all Youth Group activities not covered by other existing funds. It also provides necessary funds for Youth Group members who do not have financial resources to participate in activities & trips

Family Camp Fund – This fund is to help supplement the cost of Reform Jewish sleep-away camp.

Cantor Discretionary Fund – This fund is directed by the Cantor of the congregation toward non-budgeted musical activities in the congregation.

# Learn some Torah!

Torah usually refers to the pentateuch, the first five books of the Hebrew Bible – Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy. These books make up the story of the Jewish people. These ancient stories touch upon science, history, philosophy, ritual and ethics. Included are stories of individuals, families, wars, slavery and more. Virtually no subject was taboo for torah. Running through these stories is the unique lens through which the Jewish people would come to view their world and their God.

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